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TO AMEMBASSY JAKARTA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR, EWWT, ID

SUBJECT: LNG TANKER LAUNCHING IN MASSACHUSETTS

REF: JAKARTA 7187

1. GEORGE BENSON BRIEFED IMS ON MISHANDLED LAUNCHING CEREMONY FOR GENERAL DYNAMICS LNG TANKER, AT WHICH INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR AND OTHER MEMBERS INDONESIAN PARTY WERE SLIGHTED. HIS ACCOUNT CLOSELY PARALLELS THAT OF BRITISH AMBASSADOR REPORTED REFTEL.
2. UPON HEARING BENSON'S ACCOUNT, COUNTRY DIRECTOR INGRAHAM PHONED AMBASSADOR RUSMIN TO EXPRESS REGRETS. RUSMIN ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE HAD BEEN DEEPLY OFFENDED BUT SAID GENERAL DYNAMICS BOARD CHAIRMAN HAD SINCE CONTACTED HIM TO APOLOGIZE AND EXPLAIN THAT INCIDENT WAS RESULT OF UNFORTUNATE ERRORS AND MISUNDERSTANDINGS BY UNDERLINGS. FOR SOME UNEXPLICABLE REASON, CHAIRMAN CLAIMED GENE AL DYNAMICS WAS UNDER IMPRESSION THAT RUSMIN HAD TURNED DOWN

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INVITATION TO ATTEND CEREMONY. ALTHOUGH RUSMIN TOOK GD EXPLANATION WITH GRAIN OF SALT, HE SOUNDED SOMEWHAT MOLLIFIED AND TOLD INGRAHAM HE DID NOT WANT TO MAKE TOO MUCH OF INCIDENT AND INTENDED NO FURTHER ACTION. RUSMIN HAS AGREED TO INVITATION FROM GD CHAIRMAN TO TOUR QUINCY YARD LATER THIS MONTH. VANCE

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